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Subject: Release of Reclaimed Areas

Dear Mr. Hedberg:

Kennecott Barneys Canyon Mine is requesting a release of 90.5 acres of reclaimed mine area. The land was reclaimed in 1997 or earlier, so that the vegetation has had a minimum of four growing seasons. The areas are labeled in the attached map and include:

Area 1 – The 6600/6500 and part of the 6400 dump – 59.7 acres

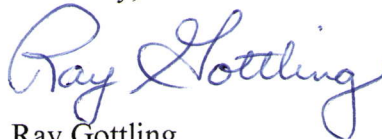
Area 2 – Part of the 6300 dump – 18.3 acres

Area 3 – The areas south and east of East Barneys pit – 12.5 acres

The State of Utah Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, Minerals Reclamation Program Rule R647-4, Sections 13.11 and 13.12 state that an area will be considered reclaimed when revegetation has achieved 70 percent of the pre-mining ground cover for at least three growing seasons. Alternatively, the Division can determine that the work has been completed satisfactorily.

I would like to arrange a tour to inspect these areas with the intention of securing their release, at your convenience. Please call me at (801) 569-7110 or Bear Slothower at (801) 569-7123 to schedule an inspection.

Sincerely,



Ray Gottling
Operations Manager

Attachment

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